

Please AMEND the specification at page 20, lines 2 to 10 in accordance with the following:

Next, at the cashing section 10S side, the ownership of the bills is transferred from the cash logistics company to the lease company when the bills are taken out from the cashing use bill stacker 41 and reach the bill dispenser (shown as the bill pool in the figure) 44. Further, the bills B become owned by the person withdrawing the bills (customer) when the bills B are taken outside of the cashing section 10S from the bill pool 44.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **AMEND** claims 1-10 as follows:

1. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine having a deposit operation panel located at one side of the machine and, inside the machine, a cash storage unit and an external communications unit to notify a cash logistics company of deposit data through a public line, the machine comprising:

a cashing operation panel located at another side of the machine different from the side at which the deposit operation panel is located; and

a cashing controller, a second cash storage unit storing a predetermined amount of cash for a cashing service, a cash temporary holder removing and temporarily holding a cashed amount from the second cash storage unit, and a cashing processor dispensing cash from the cash temporary holder and issuing a receipt, the cashing controller, the second cash storage unit, the cash temporary holder, and the cashing processor being located inside the machine,

wherein the external communications unit communicates with a financial institution, and

wherein the cashing controller performs processing to verify a person performing the cashing operation, determine whether to authorize cashing by confirming a balance in a savings account of the person, dispense cash to be reimbursed from the savings account when authorizing cashing, and provide cashing data to the financial institution and to the cash logistics company.

2. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 1, further comprising a cash apportioner located before the cash storage unit to apportion deposited cash between the cash storage unit and the second cash storage unit, a part of the deposited cash being used to resupply the cash in the second cash storage unit.

3. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 2, wherein the external communications unit notifies the cash logistics company of the deposit data and an amount of cash apportioned by the cash apportioner to the second cash storage unit for use by the cash logistics company to maintain consistency between an amount of sales proceeds deposited and an amount of cash retrieved by the cash logistics company.

4. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 2, wherein the cash apportioner changes a ratio of apportionment of the deposited cash with a balance of cash for the cashing service in the second cash storage unit being the predetermined amount.

5. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 4, wherein the external communications unit notifies the cash logistics company of the deposit data and an amount of cash apportioned by the cash apportioner to the second cash storage unit for use by the cash logistics company to maintain consistency between an amount of sales proceeds deposited and an amount of cash retrieved by the cash logistics company.

6. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 1, wherein the cashing operation panel is located at a side opposite the side at which the deposit operation panel is located.

7. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 6, wherein the deposit operation panel and the cashing operation panel of the machine are separated by a wall, the deposit operation panel is accessible only to a manager or employee of the store, and the cashing operation panel is accessible to a store customer or the general public.

8. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine having a deposit operation panel located at one side of the machine and, inside the machine, a storage unit storing deposited cash and an external communications unit to notify a cash logistics company of deposit data through a public line, the machine comprising:

a cashing operation panel having at least an ID card insertion slot, a cash dispensing slot, and a receipt issuing slot, and being located at another side of the machine different from the side at which the deposit operation panel is located; and

a cashing controller, a cash temporary holder to remove, count, and temporarily hold an amount of cash input from the cashing operation panel and from the cash storage unit, and a cashing processor dispensing cash from the cash temporary holder to the cash dispensing slot and issuing a cashing receipt,

wherein the external communications unit communicates with a financial institution, and

wherein the cashing controller performs processing to verify an ID card input from the cashing operation panel, determine whether to authorize cashing by confirming a balance in a savings account of a person withdrawing cash, dispense cash to be reimbursed from the savings account when authorizing cashing, and provide cashing data to the financial institution and to the cash logistics company.

9. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 8, wherein the cashing operation panel is located at a side opposite the side at which the deposit operation panel is located.

10. (ONCE AMENDED) A store sales proceed depositing machine as set forth in claim 9, wherein the deposit operation panel and the cashing operation panel of the machine are separated by a wall, the deposit operation panel is accessible only to a manager or employee of